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SUBJ: UN CONFERENCE ON DESERTIFICATION: DRAFT RESOLUTION ON
CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WARFARE

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1. DRAFT RESOLUTION ENTITLED "EFFECT OF THE USE OF
WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ON ECOSYSTEMS" HAS BEEN
INTORDUCED BY CAPE VERDE. TEXT FOLLOWS:

"THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON DESERTIFICATION,
MEETING AT NAIROBI (KENYA) FROM 29 AUGUST TO 9 SEPTEMBER,
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1977.

"RECALLING PARAGRAPH 197 OF DOCUMENT A/CONF.74/1 ON
DESERTIFICATION RESULTING FROM WAR,

"RECALLING THE DECISIONS OF THE NAIROBI PREPARATORY
MEETING ON DESERTIFICATION (12-16 APRIL 1977) CONTAINED

IN DOCUMENT DESCONF/AFRICA/10, RECOMMENDATION NO. 18,
PARAGRAPH 114,

"DECIDES:

"(1) TO DENOUNCE THE EFFECTS OF DESTRUCTIVE COLONIAL
WEAPONS AND PRACTICES ON THE ECOSYSTEMS OF COUNTRIES
WHICH HAVE ACHIEVED INDEPENDENCE THROUGH ARMED NATIONAL
LIBERATION STRUGGLES AND OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES WHICH ARE
STILL FIGHTING FOR THEIR INDEPENDENCE,

"(2) TO CONDEMN AND BRING ABOUT THE PROHIBITION OF THE
POISONING OF SOURCES OF WATER AND THE USE OF SOPHISTI-
CATED WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION, NAMELY, CHEMICAL AND
BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS, SUCH AS NAPALM, DEFOLIANTS, ETC.,

"(3) TO ADDRESS AN APPEAL TO ALL STATES MEMBERS OF THE
UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM TO REFRAIN FROM SUPPLYING SUCH ARMS
TO THOSE WHO SUPPORT THIS POLICY OF DESTRUCTION,

"(4) TO DEVOTE SPECIAL ATTENTION AND ACCORD PRIORITY TO
PROGRAMMES AND FINANCING FOR COUNTRIES SUFFERING FROM
DROUGHT AND FOR COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE ACHIEVED INDEPEN-
DENCE THROUGH AN ARMED NATIONANAL LIBERATION STRUGGELE,

"(5) TO REQUEST THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE
(SIC.) TO ENSURE THE STRICT APPLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION."

3. WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN AT THS TIME OF FINAL FORM
THAT RESOLUTION ON CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WARFARE
WILL TAKE. DEPT. WILL NOTE FROM DAILY SUMMARIES OF
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CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS THAT SOME NON-AFRICAN SUPPORT FOR
AFRICAN PROPOSAL ON THIS SUBJECT ALREADY HAS BEEN
EXPRESSED IN PLENARY. WE UNDERSTAND THAT ALGERIA,
CAMEROON, CONGO AND BRAZIL HAVE INDICATED SUPPORT FOR
ABOVE TEXT.

4. AS REGARDS OTHER WESTERN DELEGATIONS, UK HAS INSTRUC-
TIONS TO SUPPORT GENERAL CONDEMNATION OF CHEMICAL AND
BIOLOGICAL WARFARE AS LONG AS IT DOES NOT HAVE REFERENCE
TO ANY SPECIFIC REGION (I.E. SOUTHERN AFRICA). FRG IS
INSTURCTED TO CITE TWO CONVENTIONS:

(A) CONVENTION ON PROHIBITION OF MILITARY OR ANY
OTHER HOSTILE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MIDIFICATION
TECHNIQUES (18 MAY 1977)

(B) GENEVA CONVENTION ON PROHIBITION OF USE IN WAR
OF POISON GASES AND OF BACTERIOLOGICAL METHODS
OF WAREFARE (1925)

SWISS DELEGATION (IN VIEW OF FACT SWITZERLAND MANUFAC-
TURER NAPALM) IS LOOKING FOR WAY OUT. MOST OTHER WESTERN
DELS APPEAR TO UNINSTURCTED.

5. REQUEST ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE ASAP.

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